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**Ramon Tremosa i Balcells**



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## *AWARDS*

# NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATIONS

**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**GREECE**

**National Park of  
Tzoumerka,  
Peristeri and  
Arachthos Gorge**



“The Charter is a **valuable tool** for stimulation and motivation of local communities and visitors to **actively participate in the sustainable management** of the National Park and also a useful tool for dissemination and communication of environmental information.”

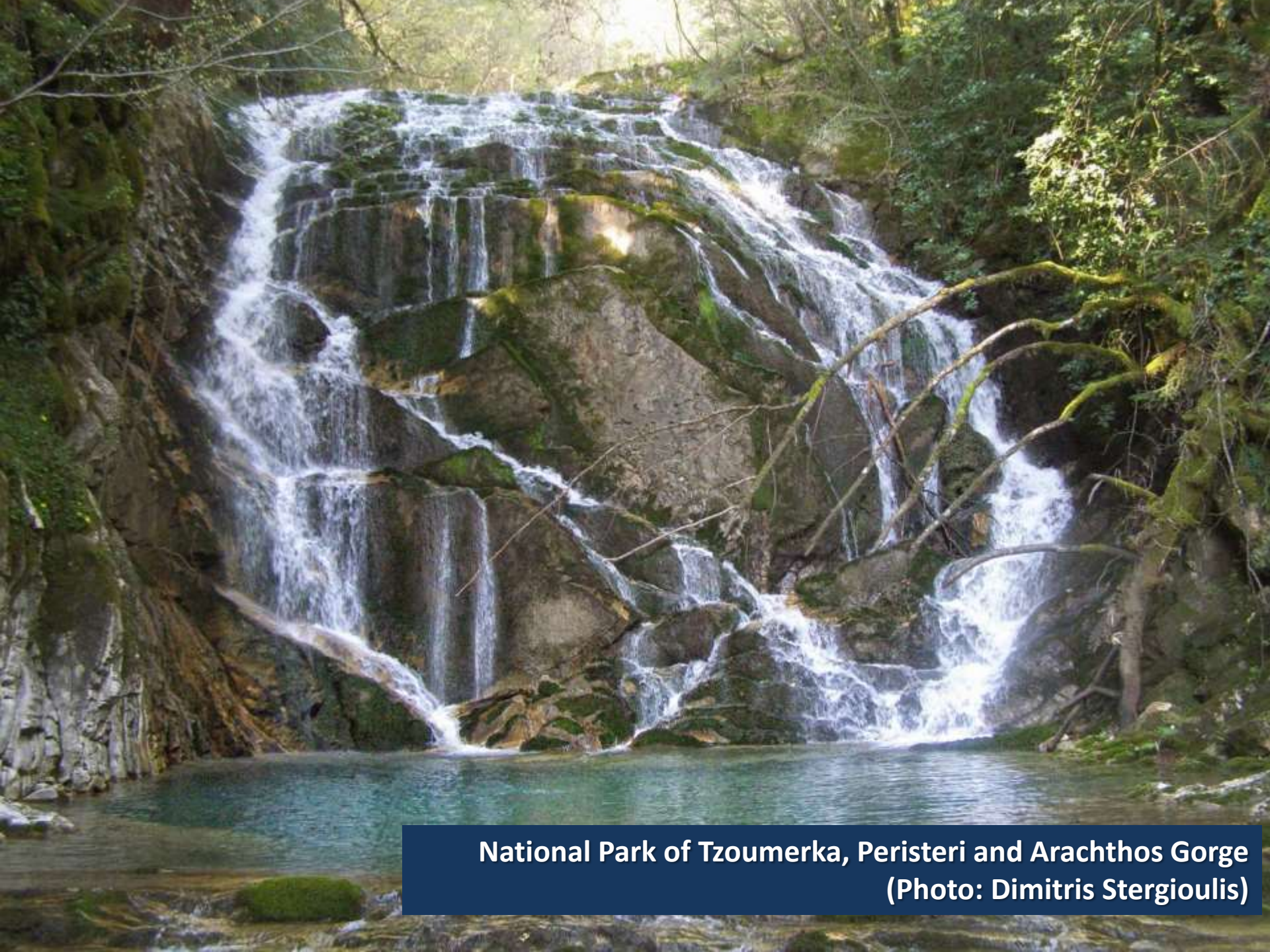
National Park of Tzoumerka, Peristeri and Arachthos Gorge





**National Park of Tzoumerka, Peristeri and Arachthos Gorge  
Mount Lakmos (Photo: Alexandros Moliotis)**





**National Park of Tzoumerka, Peristeri and Arachthos Gorge  
(Photo: Dimitris Stergioulis)**

**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**GREECE**

**Chelmos Vouraikos  
National Park &  
Unesco Global  
Geopark**





“The universally unique Biodiversity of Chelmos –Vouraikos National Park and Unesco Global Geopark, will be promoted and simultaneously used, as **an active tool to attract tourists** in the area of Kalavryta through the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism.”

Chelmos Vouraikos National Park & Unesco Global Geopark



**Chelmos Vouraikos National Park & Unesco Global Geopark**  
**(Photo: Park Archive)**





**Chelmos Vouraikos National Park & Unesco Global Geopark**  
**(Photo: Park Archive)**



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**SPAIN**

**Parc Natural del  
Montgrí, les Illes Medes  
i el Baix Ter**



“The European Charter for Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas represents an opportunity to move towards a more sustainable tourism management model to **ensure the conservation of our protected areas.**”

Parc Natural del Montgrí, les Illes Medes i el Baix Ter





**Parc Natural del Montgrí, les Illes Medes i el Baix Ter**  
(Photo: Park archive)





**Parc Natural del Montgrí, les Illes Medes i el Baix Ter**  
(Photo: Park archive)



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**SPAIN**

**Parc Natural  
de Montsant**



“This certificate is the recognition of El Priorat’s collective and concerted effort to foster sustainable tourism and **preserve the intangible values** of La Serra de Montsant Natural Park, in which the integrated management of natural, cultural and spiritual values contribute to nature conservation and guarantee the **sustainable development of the region.**”

Parc Natural de Montsant



**Parc Natural de Montsant  
(Photo: Park archive)**





**Parc Natural de Montsant**  
**(Photo: Park archive)**

NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION

PORTUGAL

Terras do Lince  
*'Lands of Lynx'*





“The European Charter for Sustainable Tourism 'Lands of Lynx' represents the recognition of a territory of high potential, where **nature and landscape harmonize** in a deep dialogue with traditions, typical tastes and our art of welcoming people.”



**Terras do Lince (Photo: Nabisc)**





**Terras do Lince**  
**(Photo: António Cabanas)**



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*The value of biodiversity in the EU and the  
role of parks: benefits for people and local economy*

Head of the Nature Unit, DG Environment  
**Nicola Notaro**



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**ITALY**

**Parco Nazionale  
Arcipelago Toscano**



“It has been **like a bus trip:**  
at each stop got up new and  
old friends, everyone felt  
active part of the trip  
and slowly came to life a  
community that could listen  
and start up concrete  
**visions of the future.”**

Parco Nazionale Arcipelago Toscano





**Tuscan Archipelago National Park,  
Island of Capraia  
(Photo: Bernardeschi e Salvini)**





**Tuscan Archipelago National Park,  
Island of Pianosa  
(Photo: F. Caprilli)**



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**ITALY**

**Parco Nazionale del  
Cilento Vallo di Diano  
ed Alburni**



“The Charter represents a **further boost** and a **guideline** for the preservation and promotion of the Park Territory, already in progress. In this way, the sustainable tourism will be strengthened and better developed.”





**Parco Nazionale del Cilento Vallo di  
Diano ed Alburni (Photo: Aniello Aloia)**





**Parco Nazionale del Cilento Vallo di  
Diano ed Alburni (Photo: Aniello Aloia)**



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**ITALY**

**Ente di Gestione delle  
Aree Protette  
del Monviso**



“A challenge to face over time; a **tool to strengthen the identity** and the **feeling of belonging** to a territory able to deal with the global changes.”

Ente di Gestione delle Aree Protette del Monviso





**Ente di Gestione delle Aree Protette del Monviso**  
**(Photo: Park Archive - Renzo Ribetto)**





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**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**ITALY**

**Area Marina Protetta  
e Riserva Naturale  
dello Stato di  
Torre Guaceto**



“The Charter is the tool for the **rising of the identity** and consciousness of our territory and its inhabitants that, through a dialogue among the stakeholders and a shared planning, allows the **protection of environment**, the enhancement of **traditional values** and the **sustainable development** of quality tourism.”

Area Marina Protetta e Riserva Naturale  
dello Stato di Torre Guaceto





**Area Marina Protetta e Riserva Naturale dello  
Stato di Torre Guaceto (Photo: Park archive)**





**Area Marina Protetta e Riserva Naturale dello  
Stato di Torre Guaceto (Photo: Park archive)**



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**ITALY**

**Riserva Naturale  
Statale Gola del Furlo**



“The Charter gives the Riserva Naturale Statale Gola del Furlo the opportunity to reaffirm its well-established commitment to sustainable tourism and other relevant issues, such as the **inclusion of disabled**. Such a shared instrument would implement practical sustainable actions **together with public and private partners** in a five-year-time span, in order to develop projects and partnerships.”





**Riserva Naturale Statale Gola del Furlo  
(Photo: Francesco Sanchioni)**



**Riserva Naturale Statale  
Gola del Furlo  
(Photo: Francesco Sanchioni)**



**NEW SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

# ITALY/SLOVENIA

Transboundary  
Ecoregion Julian Alps



“The Charter is a flagship for the whole **Transboundary Region**.

It expresses a genuine European **spirit of respect for nature and brotherhood among people of different countries** and represents an extraordinary chance to promote to the breath-taking world of the Julian Alps and its unique biodiversity and cultural heritage.”





**Transboundary Ecoregion Julian Alps, Canin**  
**(Photo: PNPG Archive - Marco Di Lenardo)**





**Transboundary Ecoregion Julian Alps, Canin**  
**(Photo: Aleš Zdešar)**



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*Implementing a sustainable tourism  
strategy in a Transboundary Protected Area*

## Transboundary Ecoregion Julian Alps

Triglav National Park (SL)



Prealpi Giulie Regional Park (IT)



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Member of the European Parliament  
**Igor Šoltes**





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Member of the European Parliament  
**Isabella de Monte**

Group of the Progressive Alliance of  
**Socialists & Democrats**  
in the European Parliament

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**SUSTAINABLE  
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**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**FRANCE**

**Parc naturel  
régional des Alpilles**

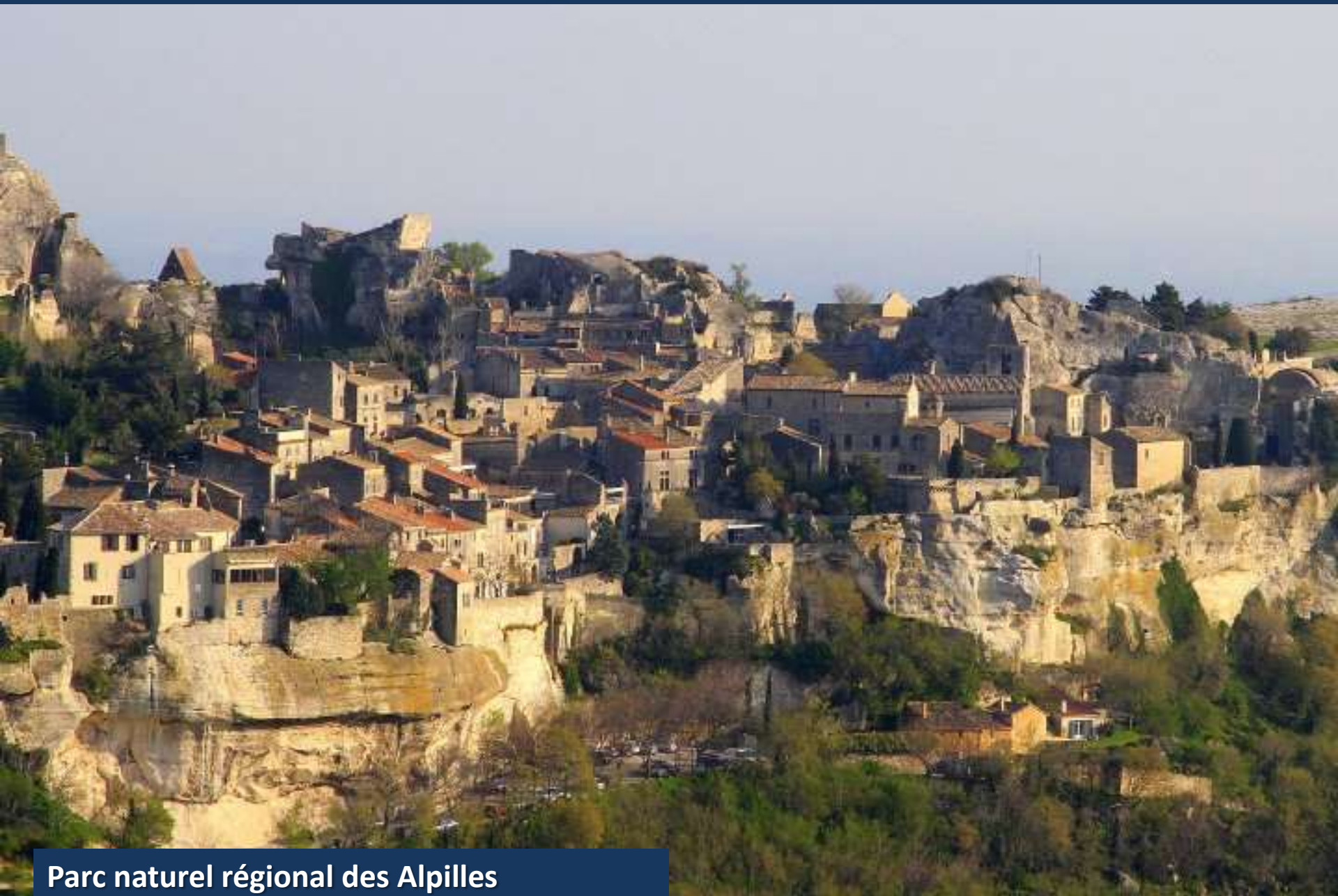


“The European Charter for Sustainable Tourism is a progress process which offers to protected area the **good way to position themselves as a sustainable tourism destination** with local professionals involved with the Park in an international network.”



**Parc naturel régional des Alpilles**  
(Photo: Park Archive)





**Parc naturel régional des Alpilles**  
**(Photo: Park Archive)**

**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**FRANCE**

**Syndicat mixte du  
Parc naturel régional  
Livradois-Forez**



“For us the ECST was the opportunity to **affirm our sustainable tourism strategy** with all our partners. It is also a real progress approach built in an **interdisciplinary and sharing way**. Finally, it is an integration in a **European network** of involved protected areas for a better tourism, authentic, “good for Parks – good for People”, because #WeAreParks!!”





**Parc naturel régional Livradois-Forez**  
**(Photo: Park Archive)**



**Parc naturel régional Livradois-Forez**  
**(Photo: Park Archive)**

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**FRANCE**

**Parc naturel régional  
du Vercors**





“The Vercors is a living mountain. The charter brings us a methodological approach and the gratitude of a **territorial strategy shared with the actors and the inhabitants.**”



**Parc naturel régional du Vercors**  
**(Photo: S et M Booth)**





Parc naturel régional du Vercors  
(Photo: S et M Booth)



**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

# UNITED KINGDOM

**The Broads  
National Park**



“We are proud and delighted to have been awarded the European Charter for the third time. It gives us a brilliant framework for our work with the tourism business community and the award is a tribute to this partnership – **a clear demonstration that nature is the winner when we all work together.**”



**The Broads National Park  
(Photo: Broads Archive)**





**The Broads National Park, How Hill  
(Photo: Tom Mackie)**

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*The European Charter for Sustainable  
Tourism: values and benefits for parks*

**Bruce Hanson**



**Broads Authority**

The Broads - a member of the  
National Park family

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**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**SPAIN**

**Parque Nacional  
de Cabañeros**



“Thanks to the Charter, there is more **interaction among the stakeholders** and little by little the habit of working together in different actions is being created. The Charter is also **our cover letter as an ecotourism destination**, and that’s the only possible way for the success in tourism in a natural protected area.”



**CABAÑEROS National Park, *Cervus elaphus***  
**(Photo: Alfonso San Miguel Ayanz)**





**CABAÑEROS National Park, Aquila adalberti**  
**(Photo: Alfonso San Miguel Ayanz)**

**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**SPAIN**

**Parque Natural  
Montseny**



“The CETS renovation has improved **partnership between public and private sector** in sustainable tourism issues.”





**Parque Natural Montseny**  
**(Photo: Luís Martínez)**





**Parque Natural Montseny**  
**(Photo: Arxiu XPN)**

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**SPAIN**


**Parque Natural  
de Sant Llorenç  
del Munt i L'Obac**





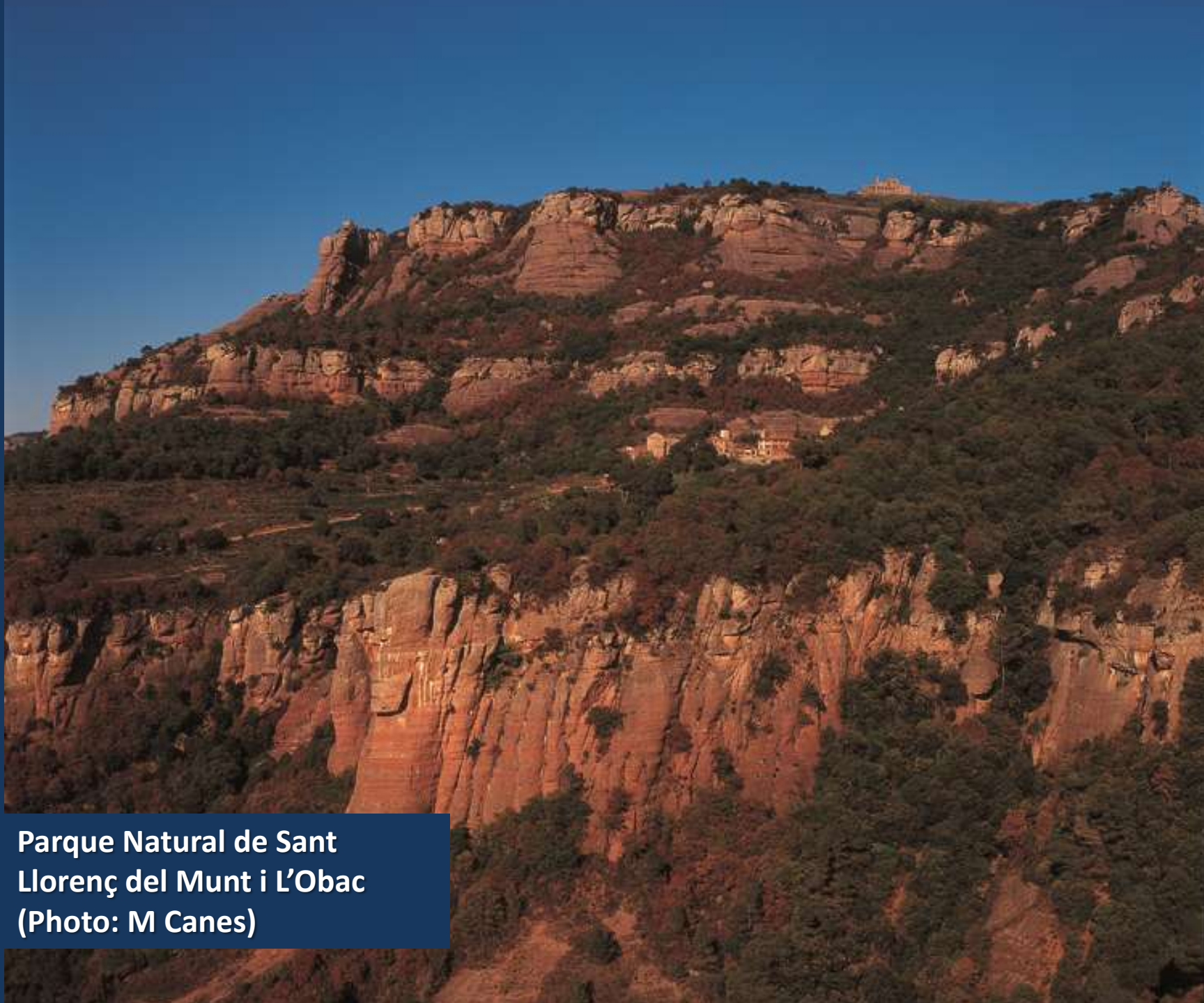
“The Charter for Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas for our Park represents a **social compromise** towards a sustainable development, respectful with the environment.

A new way of working:  
**responsibly, participatory, collectively.”**



**Parque Natural de Sant  
Llorenç del Munt i L'Obac  
(Photo: M Canes)**





**Parque Natural de Sant  
Llorenç del Munt i L'Obac  
(Photo: M Canes)**



**RE-AWARDED SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION**

**SPAIN**

**Parc Natural de la  
Zona Volcànica  
de la Garrotxa**



“The planning of sustainable tourism development through the ECST has enabled La Garrotxa to become a better place to live and to **offer visitors a wide range of experiences in well-conserved natural surroundings.**”



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Parc Natural de la Zona  
Volcànica de la Garrotxa (ES)







La Garrotxa Volcanic Zone Natural Park has been planning the development of sustainable tourism **for 15 years**, in partnership with both the public and private sector, within the framework of a **long-standing association that this year celebrates its 20th anniversary.**



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Best wishes for your work  
and...

*... see you NEXT YEAR!*

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